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### A PECULIAR DECISION.

According to a dispatch from Norfolk, Judge Hanchel has delivered a rather remarkable decision in connection with a forgery case which came before his court. He is reported to have rendered a decision holding that forgery as a crime could not be committed under the Virginia statute unless the person whose name is forged suffers financial loss through the operation.

It seems to us that if the judge's decision is in accord with the law it would open up an inviting field for one who might desire to disseminate libelous statements over a forged signature. It seems to us that the unauthorized signing of another person's name should constitute forgery without reference to the after effects of the deed. Desire for pecuniary gain is not an essential element in other crimes and we fail to see why it should be made the sole basis for responsibility in cases where the crime of forgery is committed.

### OLD PLANTATION DAYS.

At the annual banquet of the Confederate Veterans' Camp of New York City, F. Hopkinson Smith spoke to the toast "Old Plantation Days." In his address he declared that the extension of suffrage to the negro was the "greatest crime of the century."

"The great loyalty of the negro," he said, "was as much a part of the South as its plantations and its people. Then came the change and the loyalty of the negro was destroyed, together with the black man's greatest and best quality, and there was wiped out at the same time the basic quality of a civilization that will never come again."

"At that time there was loyalty in the negro. Now what is it? Why a man in the South doesn't dare to leave his home and his wife and children alone."

The saddest result following the changed conditions which came with the close of the civil war grew out of the breaking up of the old ties between the negro and his white master. Many persons now living can remember the "plantation days" when the negroes were swarming about the premises, many of them through the house—intent on various duties—uncles and aunts and maids galore. When the male members of the white families rode away for a day at the time it was with no thought of danger for the loved ones at home, for none existed.

The change has been vividly depicted by Mr. Smith in a single sentence, and we have no doubt that the "crime of the century" to which he refers has been largely responsible for that change.

### THE NEW ALIGNMENT.

The members of the great international concert of powers probably will pause in their great Peace oratory long enough to take in the recent activity of the German Emperor and the Czar of Russia, the latter gentleman having drunk a very affectionate toast

to the former representative of the "divine right" to rule the common herd.

If that expression of love and admiration means a new alliance for the erstwhile ally of the polite Gaston, the latter probably will begin looking about for a new partner in which event England and France, those ancient enemies may come to an understanding over their mutual distrust of the Kaiser and the Czar.

It is one of the anomalies of the twentieth century that millions of intelligent and cultured men will permit themselves and their interests to be shifted about like pawns in a chess game in order that a "war lord" or a make-believe monarch may have his little game.

Mayor McCarthy seems to be leading a strenuous existence in his self-imposed role of "Citizen Fixit" for the enterprising town of Richmond. In a couple of his most recent exploits, however, he has the satisfaction of having been upheld. His judgment in the Burton case and in the "Penny Arcade" indecent picture cases have been upheld in court. As both cases involved issues in which the decent people of the State were vitally interested, the mayor's victories will be greeted with satisfaction throughout the Old Dominion, and in many cases there will be regret that there are not more officials of the "live wire" type. If so more of the laws designed to protect the unsophisticated from the wiles of those who trade upon and pander to the most degrading instincts of the human mind would be enforced.

We cannot but feel that Senator Martin felt a premonition that he had been re-elected even before he heard from the committee which traveled to Washington to apprise him of that interesting fact.

Marshall Field was said to be the heaviest individual taxpayer in the world, which naturally leads one to assume that the tax collector did not consider the merchant prince's money "tainted."

The delightful weather of the past few days probably led the Wall Street bears to conclude that the time had come for the regular spring shearing of the venturesome "lamb."

Most people in this section of the country will heave a sigh of relief when informed that Colonel Mann was not born "down South."

**Baltimore Produce Market.**  
BALTIMORE, MD., Jan. 30.—Flour steady at decline.  
Wheat firm; spot contract, 84 1/2 a 84 3/4; Southern on grade, 78 1/2. Corn firm; spot, 48 1/2 a 48 1/4; Southern white, 42 1/2 a 42 1/4.  
Oats easier; No. 2 white 36 1/2 a 36 3/4.  
Butter steady and unchanged.  
Eggs firm and unchanged.

## OFFICIAL RANGE OF STOCKS.

Corrected Daily by H. E. Boykin.

Stocks, Bonds, Cotton, Grain, Etc., Room 2, Braxton Building.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Anaconda	273 1/2	276 1/2	262	269
Allis-Chalmers	24 1/8	24 1/2	22 3/4	23 1/4
Amalgamated Copper	110	111 3/8	106 1/2	109
American Car and Foundry	43 3/4	44 1/2	42 3/8	43 1/2
American Cotton Oil	40	40	37	37
American Locomotive	72 3/4	74 3/4	72	74 3/4
American Smelting	164	165 1/2	161 5/8	164 3/8
American Sugar	147 5/8	149	144 3/8	146 3/8
Atchafalpa	91 1/2	92 3/8	91 1/8	92 3/8
Atchafalpa, preferred	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/4	103 1/4
Atlantic Coast Line	162 1/2	162 1/2	160	160 1/4
Baltimore & Ohio	114 5/8	114 7/8	113 1/4	114 1/8
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	87 1/2	89	85 1/4	86 1/2
Canadian Pacific	170 3/4	171	169 5/8	170 3/4
Chesapeake & Ohio	58	58 7/8	57 1/4	58 1/4
Chicago Great Western	21 5/8	22	21 1/2	21 7/8
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	184 5/8	185 7/8	183 3/4	184 3/4
Colorado Fuel and Iron	73	75 1/2	65	68
Distillers' Securities	51 3/4	51 3/4	51	51
Erie	47	47 3/4	46 5/8	47
Erie, first preferred	82	82 1/4	81 7/8	82
Illinois Central	176 1/2	177 1/4	176 1/2	177 1/4
Louisville & Nashville	149 3/4	150 3/4	148 1/2	149 1/2
Manhattan	160 3/4	160 3/4	159 3/4	159 7/8
Metropolitan Street Railway	122	122 5/8	121 3/4	121 3/4
Metropolitan Street Ry. Securities	70	70 3/4	69	69 3/4
Mexican Central	24 5/8	24 7/8	24 1/4	24 1/2
M. K. & T.	37	37 1/4	36 1/8	36 5/8
M. K. & T., preferred	70 1/2	71	70 1/2	70 3/4
Missouri Pacific	102	102 3/4	100 3/4	101 5/8
National Lead	84	84	80	82
New York Central	149 1/4	149 3/4	147 7/8	148 7/8
N. Y. G. & W.	54 1/2	54 5/8	53	53 3/4
Norfolk & Western	90 3/4	90 1/2	89 1/4	90 1/2
Pacific Mail	48 1/4	49 1/2	46 5/8	47 1/8
Pennsylvania	143	143 1/2	142	142 3/4
People's Gas	99 1/4	99 1/4	98	98 7/8
Pressed Steel Car	60 3/4	60 3/4	59 3/8	59 3/8
Reading	140 1/8	141	134 1/4	136 3/4
Republic Iron and Steel	32 3/8	33 1/4	32	32 1/4
Republic Iron and Steel, preferred	104 7/8	105	104 1/2	104 5/8
Rock Island	24 3/4	25 3/4	24 3/4	25 1/8
Rock Island, preferred	63 1/4	64 1/2	63	64
St. Louis	86 1/4	87 1/4	85 1/2	87 3/4
Southern Pacific	67 7/8	68 3/4	67 1/2	68 1/4
Southern Railway	40 7/8	41 1/8	39 5/8	40 7/8
Southern Railway, preferred				102
Tennessee Coal and Iron	155	156 3/4	154	155 1/2
Texas & Pacific	36 3/8	36 3/8	35 1/2	35 3/4
Union Pacific	153	154 1/2	151 1/2	153
United States Rubber	52 5/8	53	51 3/8	52
United States Steel	42	43	42	43
United States Steel, preferred	109 1/2	110 3/8	109 1/8	110
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	48 1/2	48 7/8	44	46 1/2
Virginia-Carolina Chemical, preferred	115 1/2	115 1/2	114	114 1/2
Wabash	25 1/2	25 1/2	23 1/2	24
Wabash, preferred	45 1/2	46	44 3/8	45 1/4
Western Union Telegraph Company	93 1/4	93 1/4	93	93

New York Cotton:

	January	February	March	April
January	11.01	11.01	10.87	10.95
February	11.17	11.17	10.99	11.10
March	11.30	11.31	11.14	11.24
April	11.37	11.37	11.22	11.32
May	11.10	11.17	11.07	11.07
June	10.55	10.63	10.57	10.62
July	10.48	10.55	10.46	10.54

## STOCKS AND BONDS

Towards the Close There Was a  
Wild Scramble to Sell.

## MARKET ON THE VERGE OF PANIC

Congressional Action in Regard to  
the Pennsylvania Group of Railroads  
Causes Apprehension in Street and  
Accounts For Slump.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—The stock market broke badly late in the day after a series of mutations of speculative sentiment which did not carry prices far from last night's level in either direction.

This state of uncertainty lasted until the beginning of the final hour of the session, when stocks began suddenly to stream into the market from all directions at once as though by concerted agreement.

It was generally attributed to a growing distrust of the technical position of the market and to the growing boldness of an aggressive bear party, which has been built up in the market in the last few days.

With a renewal of the decline late in the day fresh importance was attached to the action in the House of Representatives on the standing of the Pennsylvania group of railroads and to the measure at Albany to investigate the State banking department.

The favorable reports of net earnings for December by the Erie, Lehigh Valley, Chesapeake & Ohio and the Canadian Pacific railroads were ignored in the rush to liquidate speculative holdings. The principal pressure of the liquidation centered in Reading, Colorado Fuel, Union Pacific, Amalgamated Copper, Lead, Smelting and such stocks, which had been the subjects of excessive or reckless speculation in the immediate past.

Bonds were irregular. Sales, par value, \$3,385,000. United States bonds were all unchanged on call.

**Chicago Grain Market.**  
CHICAGO, ILL., Jan. 30.—An official report of a continued drought in India and a prediction of colder weather in the Southwestern part of the United States were the chief factors creating a strong wheat market here today. At the close wheat for May delivery was up one-half cent. Corn and oats were each up one-quarter cent. Provisions were a shade to five cents higher.

**New York Money Market.**  
NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Money on call easier; highest, 4 per cent.; lowest, 3 1/2 per cent.; last loan, 3 1/2 per cent.; closing bid, 3 1/4 per cent. Time loans, steady; sixty days, ninety days and six months, 4 1/2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4 1/4 a 4 1/2 per cent. Commercial bills, 4 1/4 a 1/2. Bar silver, 65 5/8. Mexican dollars, 50 1/2.

## TRANSPORTATION GUIDE.

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Leave shipyard, Newport News for  
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2:45, 4:15, 6:45, 7:15, 8:15. (Saturday  
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Leave Norfolk, foot of Wa-  
ter street ..... 6:00 p. m.  
Leave Old Point Comfort... 7:00 p. m.  
Arrive in Washington... 7:00 a. m.  
Arrive in Philadelphia...  
Penn. R. R. .... 10:50 a. m.  
Arrive in Philadelphia, B.  
& O. R. R. .... 11:10 a. m.  
Arrive in New York, Penn.  
R. R. .... 11:10 a. m.  
Arrive in New York, B. &  
O. R. R. .... 2:00 p. m.

**SOUTHBOUND.**  
Lv. New York, Penn. R. R. .... 12:00 p. m.  
Lv. New York, B. & O. R. R. .... 1:00 p. m.  
Lv. Philadelphia, Penn. R. R. .... 2:55 p. m.  
Lv. Phila. B. & O. R. R. .... 2:08 p. m.  
Ar. Washington, Penn. R. R. .... 6:10 p. m.  
Ar. Washington, B. & O. R. R. .... 5:00 p. m.  
Ar. Washington .... 6:30 p. m.  
Ar. Old Point Comfort... 7:00 a. m.  
Ar. Norfolk ..... 8:00 a. m.  
Ar. Portsmouth ..... 8:30 a. m.

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Steamer Hampton will leave Pier  
"A" daily, except Sunday, at 9 a. m.,  
going to Norfolk, and at 4 p. m., going  
to Smithfield. Steamer Accomac will  
leave Pier "A" daily, except Sunday,  
at 9 a. m., going to Smithfield, and  
about 2:30 p. m., going to Norfolk.

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### MAJOR J. D. WINNE'S WILL.

Left His Entire Property to His Wi-  
dow, Mrs. Sarah J. Winne.

The will and testament of Major  
James Dean Winne, of Phoebus, has  
been admitted to record in the Eliza-  
beth City County Circuit Court. Mr.  
Winne left his entire property to his  
widow, Mrs. Sarah J. Winne, who  
qualified as the executrix of the es-  
tate. Following the direction of the  
will Mrs. Winne gave a personal bond  
in the sum of \$7,000.

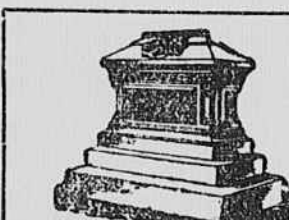
Major Winne owned much real es-  
tate and carried a goodly amount of  
life insurance.

Messrs. C. L. Collier, L. P. Furn-  
ess and Charles E. Welsh were  
named a commission to appraise the  
property.

### MR. CUMMING IS NAMED.

Succeeds Himself as a Member of the  
County Electoral Board.

Judge Blackstone has entered an or-  
der appointing Mr. Samuel Gordon  
Cumming a member of the electoral  
board of Elizabeth City county for  
the term of three years. Mr. Cum-  
ming succeeding himself, his first ap-  
pointment expiring February 1.



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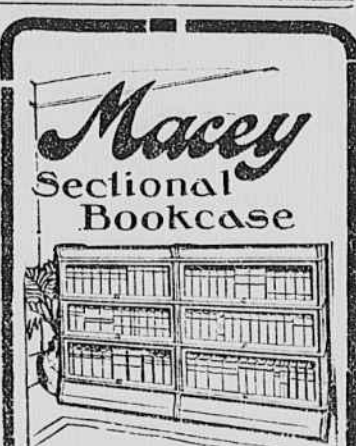
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